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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS LUFKIN DIVISION

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	§	DEPUTY
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v.	§	No. 9:20-CR- 57
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FRENCH LATRELLE CARPENTER	§	

INDICTMENT

THE UNITED STATES GRAND JURY CHARGES:

Count One

Violation: 18 U.S.C. § 1029(a)(4) (Possession of Device Making Equipment)

On or about August 28, 2020, **French Latrelle Carpenter**, defendant, in the Eastern District of Texas, did knowingly and with intent to defraud, have custody or control of or possessed, device-making equipment, that is known as a credit card account skimmer, that is a device designed for and capable of making access devices by reading, recording, writing to and/or encoding information, including account numbers, on a magnetic credit/debit card strip or credit/debit card security chip, said possession affecting interstate and foreign commerce.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1029(a)(4).

Count Two

Violation: 18 U.S.C. § 1029(a)(3)

(Possession of Fifteen or more Unauthorized

Access Devices)

On or about August 28, 2020, French Latrelle Carpenter, defendant, in the

Eastern District of Texas, did knowingly and with intent to defraud, have custody or

control of or possessed, fifteen or more counterfeit or unauthorized access devices, that is

credit/debit card account numbers, said possession affecting interstate and foreign

commerce.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1029(a)(3).

Count Three

Violation: 18 U.S.C. § 1028A(a)(1)

(Aggravated Identity Theft)

On or about August 28, 2020, French Latrelle Carpenter, defendant, in the

Eastern District of Texas, did knowingly possess, without lawful authority, a means of

identification of another person or persons, that being credit card account numbers,

during and in relation to a felony violation, to wit, access device fraud in violation 18

U.S.C. § 1029(a)(4), that is the possession of device-making equipment and possession of

fifteen or more unauthorized access devices in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1029(a)(3).

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1028A(a)(1).

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SEEK CRIMINAL FORFEITURE

Criminal Forfeiture Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 982(a)(2)(B), 18 U.S.C. § 1029(c)(1)(C) and 18 U.S.C. § 1028(b)

As the result of committing the offenses alleged in this Indictment, the defendants shall forfeit to the United States pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 982(a)(2)(B), 18 U.S.C. § 1029(c)(1)(C) and 18 U.S.C. § 1028(b), all property, real or personal, that constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to the aforementioned offense. All such property is forfeitable to the United States.

- 1. The allegations contained in Counts One, Two and Three of this indictment are hereby realleged and incorporated by reference for the purpose of alleging forfeitures pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 982(a)(2)(B), 18 U.S.C. § 1029(c)(1)(C) and 18 U.S.C. § 1028(b).
- 2. Upon conviction of the offenses set forth in Counts One, Two and Three of this indictment, **French Latrelle Carpenter**, defendant, shall forfeit to the United States of America, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 982(a)(2)(B), 18 U.S.C. § 1029(c)(1)(C) and 18 U.S.C. § 1028(b), any property, real or personal, which constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to the offenses. The property to be forfeited includes, but is not limited to, the following:
 - One (1) DEFTUN magnetic credit/debit card strip or credit/debit card security chip reader writer encoder, model MSR605X, bearing serial no. A11911150330;
 - One (1) ZCS magnetic credit/debit card strip or credit/debit card security chip reader writer encoder, model ZCS100-IC, bearing serial no. A11911150330;

- One (1) DEFTUN magnetic credit/debit card strip or credit/debit card security chip reader writer encoder, model MSRX6(BT), bearing serial no. E11811302064;
- One (1) Advanced Card Systems magnetic credit/debit card strip or credit/debit card security chip reader writer encoder, model ACR38, bearing serial no. RR100-861752;
- One (1) black Samsung Galaxy S5 cell phone
- One (1) blue Motorola cell phone
- One (1) black Samsung cell phone

All pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 982(a)(2)(B), 18 U.S.C. § 1029(c)(1)(C) and 18 U.S.C. § 1028(b).

TRUE BILL

GRAND JURY FOREPERSON

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NOTICE OF PENALTY

Count One

Violation:

18 U.S.C. § 1029(a)(4)

(Possession of Device Making Equipment)

Penalty:

Imprisonment for not more than 15 years, a fine

not to exceed \$250,000.00, (or twice the

pecuniary gain to the defendant or loss to the victim) or both; and supervised release of not

more than three (3) years.

Special Assessment:

\$100.00

Count Two

Violation:

18 U.S.C. § 1029(a)(3)

(Possession of Fifteen or more Unauthorized Access Devices)

Penalty:

Imprisonment for not more than 10 years, a fine

not to exceed \$250,000.00, (or twice the

pecuniary gain to the defendant or loss to the victim) or both; and supervised release of not

more than three (3) years.

Special Assessment:

\$100.00

Count Three

Violation:

18 U.S.C. § 1028A(a)(1)

(Aggravated Identity Theft; Aiding & Abetting)

Penalty:

Imprisonment for 2 years, a fine not to exceed \$250,000.00, (or twice the pecuniary gain to the defendant or loss to the victim) or both; and supervised release of not more than three (3) years. Imprisonment to run consecutive to any other term of imprisonment imposed for other

offenses.

Special Assessment:

\$100.00